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Steve Miller, LRB

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Jeffrey A. Geisler, DOA

266-1805

Subject:

Recycling Surcharge Statutory Language Draft

Please draft language for the Governor's budget that increases the exemption threshold for noncorporate farms from \$1 million to \$4 million in gross recipts for purposes of imposing the recycling surcharge. The attached background paper provides detailed instructions and explanation.

Please call me (6-1805) if you have questions.

Thanks

Wisconsin Department of Revenue Division of Research and Analysis Bureau of State Tax Policy

August 18, 2000

TITLE: Recycling Surcharge for Farmers

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Raise the exemption threshold for noncorporate farms from \$1 million to \$4 million in gross receipts as it relates to the recycling surcharge. This treatment would mirror the current treatment for other noncorporate businesses, whose gross receipts must exceed \$4 million before they are required to pay the \$25 recycling surcharge. This change will affect approximately 100 farms, which will no longer be required to pay the \$25 fee. Fiscal effect: \$2,500 SEG revenue loss.

DESCRIPTION OF CURRENT LAW AND PROBLEM

1999 Act 9 replaced the temporary recycling surcharge with a permanent surcharge, effective January 1, 2000. Under the new surcharge, noncorporate businesses with less than \$4 million in gross receipts are exempt from tax. Noncorporate entities with \$4 million or more in gross receipts are subject to an additional 0.2% tax on net income, up to a maximum of \$9,800. Entities subject to the surcharge cannot pay less than \$25.

Noncorporate farms are exempt from tax if gross receipts from farming is no more than \$1 million. Noncorporate farms that are subject to a recycling surcharge pay \$25.

RECOMMENDATION FOR ACTION

Provide the same surcharge requirements for noncorporate farms that exist for other noncorporate business entities by exempting farms with less than \$4 million in farming gross receipts. The tax would equal the greater of \$25 or 0.2% of net income from farming, up to a maximum of \$9,800.

FISCAL/ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACT

It is estimated that only 100 farms are currently subject to the \$25 recycling surcharge and that none would be subject to the surcharge if the exemption for farms was raised to \$4 million in gross receipts, as with other noncorporate business entities. Therefore, the revenue loss from the higher exemption is estimated to be \$2,500 (100 x 25).

DRAFTING INSTRUCTIONS

Amend sec. 77.94(1)(c) to provide that the surcharge on noncorporate farms with more than \$4 million in gross receipts is the greater of \$25 or a 2% of net income from farming, up to a maximum of \$9,800.

EFFECTIVE DATE AND/OR INITIAL APPLICABILITY

For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2001.

DOR CONTACT PERSON: Pamela Walgren at (608) 266-7817



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